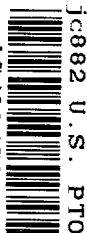


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- Enclosed are the specification, claims and drawing(s).
- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
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- ☐ Application Data Sheet is enclosed. See 37 CFR 1.76.
- ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: "This application is a ☐ continuation ☐ division of international application number PCT____/_____, filed _____, (status, abandoned, pending, etc.)."

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9. ☒ Priority of foreign application number _____, filed on _____ in Germany is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d).
- ☐ The certified copy is enclosed.
10. ☐ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
11. ☒ Also enclosed: A copy of the published PCT No. WO 00/64608 and a copy of IPER

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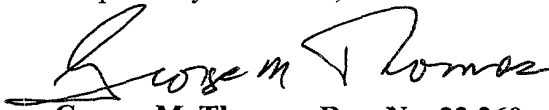
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Patent Application Consisting of:
 16 Pages of Description
 7 Pages of Claims (Claims 1-27)
 1 Page of Abstract
 5 Pages of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1-10)
A copy of the published PCT Application No. WO 00/64608
A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report -IPER
Assignment Cover Sheet and Assignment
Check in the amount of \$515.00 (\$475 for filing fee; and
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